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CONTAINING PEPTIDES AS PRESERVATIVE**

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, Applicants and their legal representatives hereby make of record the references on attached Form PTO-1449 which are known by them and considered warranting disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. The best available copies of all the foreign references cited are submitted herewith.

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Applicants and their legal representatives believe this submission is being presented before the Examiner issued an office action on the merits and therefore, no fee is due for this submission. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any excess payments to our Deposit Account No. 50-3010.